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For Immediate Release:

EASTERN PLANS ANNUAL CEREMONY, DINNER FOR ADULT STUDENTS

CHARLESTON -- Eastern Illinois University's School of Adult and Continuing Education will hold its annual Adult Student Recognition Ceremony and Dinner at 6:30 p.m. Monday, May 10, in the Grand Ballroom of the Martin Luther King Jr. University Union.

During the ceremony, the Board of Trustees Bachelor of Arts and Career Occupations Bachelor of Science degree programs will present awards to their students.

Dean William C. Hine will preside and present the Dean's Service Awards. This year's recipients -- recognized for their work and support of Eastern's School of Adult and Continuing Education's off-campus programs -- are Sandra Boileau, Parkland College, Champaign; John McNary, regional superintendent, ROE #11, Charleston;

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ADULT STUDENTS

Theodore Ivarie, dean, Lumpkin College of Business and Applied Sciences, EIU; and Ed Suddarth, Hamilton-Jefferson Counties ROE, Mt. Vernon.

In addition, more than 150 students will be inducted into Alpha Sigma Lambda, an adult student honorary whose national home office is located at Eastern.

Professional Alpha Sigma Lambda members to be inducted include Teshome Abebe, Eastern's provost/vice president for academic affairs; Garret DeRuitter, coordinator, faculty development at Eastern; and Shirley Melton, Alpha Sigma Lambda national home office.

Abebe, in turn, will present the Paul Overton Award to Larry Janes, professor in Eastern's Department of Educational Administration. This award recognizes a faculty member for outstanding long-term service to Eastern and significant contribution to the School of Adult and Continuing Education's off-campus programs.

Janes, who began teaching for the School of Adult and Continuing Education in Fall 1983, has taught for 40 semester off-campus. He has taught graduate courses and workshops at Charleston, Danville, Decatur, Effingham, Fairfield, Mattoon, McLeansboro, Mt. Vernon, Nokomis, Olney, Pana, Salem, Rantoul and Taylorville. As chairperson of the Department of Educational Administration (1991-95), he was instrumental in developing new cohort groups at off-campus sites providing educational opportunities otherwise not accessible to future principals and school superintendents throughout Illinois.